Shedding Light on Illicit Firearms Trafficking: Supporting Evidence-based Approaches

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Global Study on Firearms Trafficking - Why does it matter?
Integrated approach that helps to translate firearms data into concrete action:

**Global Data Collection and Analysis**

*Illicit Arms Flows Questionnaire* - Collects standardized and comparable data on seized, found and surrendered arms; Drafting of global study

**Technical Assistance**

*Capacity building & Tools* – Sensitisation and training on the IAFQ; Set of template for recording firearms-relevant instances

**Firearms Champion Country Initiative**

*Advocacy for evidence based policy and operational decision making* – National and regional studies; Identification and sharing of good practices.

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16
Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

16.4 By 2030, significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime

How to achieve and monitor SDG target 16.4?
The UNODC Approach to Firearms

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- Legislative and Policy Development
- Preventive and Security Measures
- Criminal Justice Response
- Int. Cooperation and Information Exchange
- Monitoring Illicit Arms Flows

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United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
• The initiative already achieved important results both at global and national levels.

• An integrated approach on firearms trafficking and related forms of crime requires a firearms data collection and analysis component.

• As the transformation of national investigative and data collection practices can be time-consuming, it is crucial that Member States obtain the required support beyond the project implementation period.
Thank you!

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